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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION
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To: Chiropractors
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**Subject: Update to the Resource Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS) and
Vendor Rate Increase for Chiropractors**

Effective with dates of service on or after July 1, 2001, the Medical Assistance Administration (MAA) will implement:

- The updated Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Data Base (MPFSDB) Year 2001 relative value units (RVUs);
- The Year 2001 additions of Current Procedural Terminology (CPT™) codes;
- Health Care Financing Administration Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Level II codes; and
- A legislatively appropriated two and one-tenth percent (2.1%) vendor rate increase.

Maximum Allowable Fees

In updating the fee schedule with Year 2001 RVUs and clinical laboratory fees, MAA maintained overall budget neutrality. The 2001-2003 Biennium Appropriations Act authorizes this two and one-tenth percent (2.1%) vendor rate increase for MAA fee-for-service programs. The maximum allowable fees have been adjusted to reflect the changes listed above.

Attached are updated replacement pages 7-10 for MAA's Chiropractic Billing Instructions, dated June 2000. To obtain this fee schedule electronically, go to MAA's website at <http://maa.dshs.wa.gov>.

Please bill MAA your usual and customary fee.